



## CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

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### (U) CALIFORNIA

#### (U) San Ysidro – Driver Dies After Crashing into Barrier at San Ysidro Point of Entry

(U) A 27-year-old man drove through the San Ysidro Port of Entry at high speed, crashed into a metal barrier and died in the wreck yesterday afternoon, authorities said. Tijuana police said the driver's car also struck a 70-year-old man and a 49-year-old disabled woman on the Mexican side of the border. The driver, whose name has not been released, died at the scene. He lived in Santa Ana in Orange County, authorities said. The incident remains under investigation.

SOURCE: 22 December 2020, [The San Diego Union-Tribune](#)

### (U) NATIONAL

#### (U) District of Columbia – Iran Pushed Online Effort to Incite Violence Following US Election

(U) Washington DC – The FBI has determined that Iran is responsible for an online attempt this month to incite violence against FBI Director Chris Wray, and other federal and state officials who pushed back on election-fraud claims advanced by President Trump supporters, according to officials familiar with the matter. A website called "Enemies of the People" and some associated social media accounts surfaced about two weeks ago that alleged Director Wray and about a dozen officials had engaged in treason because they "aided and abetted the fraudulent election against" President Trump. The FBI declined to comment. The bureau is in the process of briefing targeted individuals, and is planning an announcement with the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA).

SOURCE: 22 December 2020, [The Wall Street Journal](#)

#### (U) Delaware – US Sues Walmart for Alleged Role in Fueling Opioid Crisis

(U) Wilmington – The Justice Department accused retail giant Walmart of fueling the country's opioid crisis by inadequately screening thousands of dubious prescriptions and ignoring repeated warnings from its own pharmacists, according to a lawsuit filed yesterday. Walmart "knowingly violated well established rules requiring it to scrutinize controlled-substance prescriptions to ensure that they were valid" and required "pharmacists to process a high volume of prescriptions as fast as possible," the suit alleged. By doing so, "Walmart profited by providing its pharmacies with unusually large quantities of controlled-substances to sell, and from selling other products to customers who came to Walmart stores only because Walmart pharmacies would readily provide these controlled-substances," according to the federal complaint.

SOURCE: 22 December 2020, [NBC News](#)

#### (U) Ohio – White Supremacists Plotted to Attack Power Grid

(U) Columbus – White supremacists plotted to attack power stations in the southeastern US, and an Ohio teenager who allegedly shared the plan said he wanted the group to be "operational" on a fast-tracked timeline if President Trump were to lose his re-election bid. The teen was in a text group with more than a dozen people in the fall of 2019 when he introduced the idea of saving money to buy a ranch where they could participate in militant training, according to the affidavit, which was filed under seal along with a search warrant application in Wisconsin's Eastern US District Court in March. Federal

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prosecutors in Ohio are taking the lead on the case. A spokeswoman for the US Attorney's Office in the Southern District of Ohio could not provide additional information on the ongoing investigation, but emphasized that there is no imminent public safety threat.

SOURCE: 22 December 2020, [USA Today](#)

### **(U) Washington – Police Arrest 16 in Undercover Sex-Trafficking Bust**

(U) Bellevue – An undercover operation in Bellevue last week led to the rescue of three young sex-trafficking victims and 16 arrests, the police department announced yesterday. With help from the FBI and the King County Sheriff's Office, Bellevue police said the two-night sting was in response to increased sexual exploitation reports and escalating violence associated with the crimes.

SOURCE: 22 December 2020, [Patch](#)

### **(U) INTERNATIONAL**

#### **(U) Afghanistan – Bombing, Shooting Kills Three in Capital**

(U) Kabul – Separate bombing and shooting attacks in Afghanistan's capital left at least three people dead today, including the head of an independent elections watchdog, officials said. Unknown gunmen shot and killed Mohammad Yousuf Rasheed, executive director of the non-governmental Free and Fair Election Forum of Afghanistan, said Ferdaws Faramarz, spokesman for Kabul's police chief. In a separate attack in the capital today, a police vehicle was targeted by a sticky bomb in the eastern part of the city. The blast killed one police officer and wounded two others.

SOURCE: 23 December 2020, [Associated Press](#)

#### **(U) France – Gunman Kills Three Officers After Domestic Call**

(U) Paris – Three police officers were killed and a fourth wounded in central France today by a gunman they confronted in response to a domestic violence call, the deadliest attack in years on French law enforcement outside of terrorism incidents. The suspect, a 48-year-old man known to authorities for child custody disputes, was "discovered dead" several hours after fleeing the home. Aside from terror attacks, shootings of police officers in France are relatively rare.

SOURCE: 23 December 2020, [The Telegraph](#)

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